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## MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Subject: Discussion of NIS Section 56 Production with FI Representatives

1. The following were present: Messrs. Williams, [redacted] and Pratt of FI; Capt. K. A. Knowles and [redacted] OBI.

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2. The reason for the meeting was the prospective replacement of Mr. Williams by [redacted] as NIS coordinator for production of Section 56. It appears that there will be a staff set up in FI for the purpose of coordinating the production of Section 56 and for reviewing the related Sections 54 and 57 which are State's responsibility. I took the occasion to remark on the unusual progress made since Mr. Williams had been assigned as NIS coordinator for Section 56 production, and quoted from the Annual Report the paragraph relating to the unusually fine production attainments for Fiscal Year 1955. I pointed out, however, that qualitatively FI is still at the bottom of all contributors with 18% of their contributions in Category III. Their quantitative attainment, however, was 93% as contrasted with 36% attainment for the previous fiscal year. Likewise the qualitative adequacy for the previous year indicated that 64% of all contributions were in Category III.

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3. [redacted] said they were aware of the qualitative deficiencies of their contributions but they had not realized that we were formally giving weight to this factor. He assured me that every effort would be made to continue along the lines started by Mr. Williams and that FI was fully cognizant of the importance of fully meeting NIS requirements.

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4. From the conversation I gathered that Mr. Williams shortly will be relieved by [redacted] to go on to other work. I took the occasion to congratulate Mr. Williams personally for the fine showing made while he was coordinator of the Section 56 production. Following this meeting the FI representatives held further discussions with [redacted] on the qualitative aspects and deficiencies of their production.

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